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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicants: **Tsuyoshi Toki**

Application No.: **09/611,916**

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For: **LASER APPARATUS AND METHOD
FOR CONTROLLING THE SAME**

Group Art Unit: **2828**

Examiner: **D.R. Flores Ruiz**

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**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT
OF SEPTEMBER 22, 2004**

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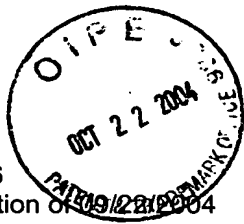
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Election/Restriction

Claims 1 to 30 are subject to restriction pursuant to the Office Action of September 22, 2004. The claims have been grouped by the examiner as follows:

- I. Claims 1-11, 14-22.
- II. Claims 12, 13, and 23-30.

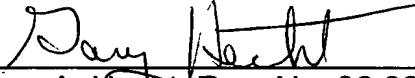
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Applicant hereby elects the claims of Group I: claims 1-11, 14-22.

Respectfully submitted,

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